Governor Appoints District One Circuit Court Judge

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Jackson, Miss – Governor Ronnie Musgrove today appointed Richard D. Bowen to the position of District One Circuit Judge for the term of office ending January 2002, for the unexpired term of Barry W. Ford.

"Richard Bowen has extensive experience in both state and federal court and has served as both a prosecutor and in private practice," said Governor Musgrove. "His experience and knowledge will well serve the people of the 1st Judicial District."

Mr. Bowen is a graduate of Mississippi State University and received his Juris Doctor from the University of Mississippi School of Law. He served on the staff of the University of Mississippi Law Center serving as Director of the Intern Program. Bowen served as Assistant District Attorney for the First Circuit Court District until 1988, during which time he also served as County Prosecuting Attorney for Tishomingo County. Since 1989 Mr. Bowen has been a partner with the law firm of Langston, Langston, Michael, Bowen and Tucker.

Bowen is a member of the Mississippi Bar Association and the Prentiss and Tishomingo County Bars. He has been admitted to practice in the federal courts of Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee and Texas as well as *pro hac vice* in the state courts of Tennessee and Alabama, where he participated in multiple jury trials. He is presently town attorney for the town of Golden and has previously served in that capacity for the city of Iuka and the city of Belmont.

Mr. Bowen is a native of Webster County.

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